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New class is added that gives the students the opportunity to relive the lives of historical women.

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The wheels on the bus go...

Following the ribbon cutting ceremony, 'Panther Express' makes its debut



By Joe Sanner
Student government editor

Following a ribbon cutting ceremony in front of Old Main Tuesday, the brand new Panther Express shuttle bus began its rounds with a few minor changes.

After Melissa Girtten, a Student Senate member who has worked on the shuttle bus project since its beginning, cut the ceremonial ribbon, the bus began its route.

The shuttle, operated by H & H Transportation, is scheduled to run from 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. during the week with frequent stops to:

- Wilb Walker's
- Wal-Mart in Charleston
- the corner of Sixth Street and Polk Avenue
- the corner of Seventh Street and Polk Avenue
- the corner of Second Street and Polk Avenue
- the Coles County Court House
- Carman Hall
- Greek Court
- the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union
- Old Main
- Second Street and Grant Avenue
- Lincoln Hall
- Coleman Hall
- Lawson Hall

From 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. during the week, the bus will exclude Wilb Walkers and Wal-Mart from the route.

"We thought students aren't

The new Panther Express takes off after dropping off some passengers in front of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Tuesday afternoon. The Panther Express bus shuttle started at 11 a.m. Tuesday after a dedication ceremony in front of Old Main.

Lacey Buidosik / Staff photographer

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How would he raise money?

Candidate for planned giving: corporate sponsors are important

By Meghan McMahon
Staff writer

The final candidate for Eastern's next director of major gifts and planned giving Tuesday said he would like to implement the use of corporate sponsors as donors for the university.

Melvin Stringer, a consultant for Professional Experience Quarterly in Atlanta Ga., met with faculty, staff and Student Senate members and discussed strategies he would use to raise money for the university if he were named the new director.

"There are a lot of donors who would be glad to put their names on plaques for rooms (in university buildings)," he said.

Stringer said he would also look at companies close to Eastern's campus as possible donors.

"There is no need in needing money when you have Nations Bank across the street," he said.

Interacting with student groups and organizations on campus is an important role of the director of major gifts and

planned giving, Stringer said.

It would be a good idea for potential donors to be able to meet the students they are donating to "so they can see what kind of bang they are getting for their buck," he said.

In order to utilize students in the donation process, Stringer said he would talk to the deans about students in their individual colleges who would be helpful to the fund-raising process.

"I would ask the dean ... is there a student who could help our cause," he said. "The chairman or the dean would know of a student with good prospects."

He said this process may also benefit the student because the contacts they make may help them get a job when they graduate.

"What a (student) does after here is important to me," he said.

In order to maintain relationships with donors, Stringer said it is important to cater to the donors' needs.

"What the donor wants, the donor gets," he said.

While Stringer said it is important to

satisfy donors, he does not feel donors should be able to dictate the university's curriculum.

"I think the donor should be aware of the fact that we are the professionals," he said. "We are the professionals and educators."

Stringer said curriculum and donors "don't mix."

Developing relationships with donors is not instantaneous, Stringer said. To keep donors, you must establish a good relationship with them.

"There are some things that are incumbent ... in order to maintain that donor ... it's about donor maintenance and keeping lists alive."

He said the loyalty of alumni can be useful in fund-raising.

Former members of student organizations such as sororities, fraternities and athletic programs are often willing to donate money to the university they attended, Stringer said.

Stringer stressed the importance of

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Community service alternative for spring break

By Jessica Sedgwick
Staff editor

An alternative to popular spring break vacations will give students and faculty members an opportunity to travel around the country to help make a difference in people's lives.

"We send teams of college students, faculty and staff to communities to engage in community service and experiential learning," said Holly Walters, founder of the Newman Center's Alternative Spring Break program.

Alternative Spring Break, sponsored by the Newman Catholic Center, is an inexpensive, volunteer-packed week of getting a first-hand look at issues dealing with urban poverty, racism, hunger, HIV/AIDS and many more, she said.

This year's program has 19 volunteer sites for applicants to choose from, including 10 new sites in cities such as Philadelphia, New Orleans, and Atlanta.

Other sites back by popular demand are Nature Conservancy in Bristol, Fla., which involves planting trees on coastal regions, and Habitat for Humanity in Battle Creek, Miss., where volunteers help construct houses for the

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Study says sexual abuse of boys underreported

By the Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) – As many as one in five boys is sexually abused, according to an analysis that tries to put the best number yet on a crime that often goes unreported.

The analysis, published Wednesday in the Journal of the American Medical Association, was based on a review of 166 studies between 1985 and 1997. It concluded that sexual abuse of boys is under-

ported and undertreated.

When sexually abused boys are not treated, society must later deal with the resulting problems, including crime, suicide, drug use and more sexual abuse, said the study's author, Dr. William C. Holmes of the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

"When they don't get treatment, bad things happen," he said.

The earlier studies found that one-third of juvenile delinquents, 40 per-

cent of sexual offenders and 76 percent of serial rapists report they were sexually abused as youngsters.

The suicide rate among sexually abused boys was 1 to 14 times higher, and reports of multiple substance abuse among sixth-grade boys who were molested was 12 to 40 times greater.

Holmes said a review of the studies leads him to believe 10 percent to 20 percent of all boys are sexually abused in some way. But widely

varying definitions of sexual abuse in the studies and differences in who was being studied make it difficult to accurately gauge the prevalence of sexual abuse, he said.

Abuse of boys has not been well documented, in part because boys fear they won't be believed or will be labeled homosexual. And what might be considered abuse of girls, such as sexual touching, often is not reported as abuse when the victim is a boy, Holmes said.

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cooperation and communication among university professionals when trying to raise money for a university.

"There needs to be very close coordination between those (administrators)," he said.

The director's relationship with the president of the university is a very valuable tool in fund-raising, he said.

"I would have to be in regular contact with the president ... to discuss leads (for donations)."

He said fund-raising is a cooperative effort.

"We are all in this together and I would expect the same level of participation from the (university) president as I would faculty and staff," he said. Stringer's current duties include taking responsibility for planning, implementation and evaluation of fund-raising campaigns. Stringer has previously been employed by United Way, the United Negro College Fund and the American Cancer Society. Earlier in his career, Stringer worked as an educator.



Lacey Buidosik / Staff photographer

Melvin Stringer is interviewed by Chuck Eberly, professor of counseling and student development, Tuesday afternoon in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. He was the second candidate interviewed in this open session.

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homeless.

Walters said the most popular sites involve working with Native Americans. This year, they have added a second site named Cherokee Nation Head Start in Tahlequah, Okla., where students will be doing a little bit of everything; carpentry, enhancing playgrounds and aiding classrooms.

"Most volunteers come back saying it was the best experience of their lives," Walters said. "Students get more out of it than they put into it. I feel everyone needs to experience it in their college career."

Jami Mehlenbeck, a senior speech communi-

cation major, traveled to an Indian reservation in Dupree, S.D., last year where she was a part a culture that she said she will never forget.

"I experienced a new culture, one that I've never experienced before. You read about it all the time, so it was great to get a first hand look at what life was like," she said.

Mehlenbeck said her trip showed her more reality than any article with pictures could have shown her.

"It's hard to believe places like that exist 20 minutes outside of a town. There's no commercialism. There's nothing. Just a large plot of land," Mehlenbeck said. "How do these people survive without stores, jobs or anything? It's unbelievable."

Walters said that for many people, Alternative Spring Break is a springboard for future volun-

teering.

"It lights a fire inside of them. We've had kids dedicate a year after they graduate to doing community service," Walters said.

This week-long vacation away from school costs \$100, including your stay, transportation and most of your food, if applications are submitted by Monday. Getting applications in by the deadline guarantees applicants their first choice for their site.

A second deadline is Feb. 5, but the cost is \$105 and first site choices may not be guaranteed.

Applications can be picked up at the Newman Catholic Center at the corner of Ninth Street and Lincoln Avenue. All students and faculty are welcome by the Center to participate in Alternative Spring Break.

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really going to want to go shopping at eight in the morning during the week," Girten said.

Girten said she will know by early next week exactly how long the route will take to run. She said it might take about 45 minutes during the week

and up to an hour and a half on weekends, when the shuttle extends its route to the Showplace 8 Theater in Mattoon.

"Our main concern was that it would take more than a half an hour to run the whole route," Girten said. "Next semester, the city will provide bus stop signs."

Girten said signs will be posted at bus stops next semester after they know for sure what times the bus will

be at each stop.

Students can ride the shuttle bus for free with their student ID thanks to a \$2.50 shuttle bus fee, which is just one way the Panther Express is funded.

H & H Transportation will receive about \$130,543 to operate the shuttle bus for the rest of the year and all of the 1999-2000 school year. \$30,000 per semester of this money will come from the student shuttle bus fee,

which was approved earlier this semester and is effective this spring.

Two \$10,000 administration reserve funds and a \$10,000 Student Senate budget line item also will fund the bus.

About \$5,000 in pledges out of previous \$20,000 goal have been collected from area businesses and the Panther Express will continue to look for more contributors to help with operation costs.

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For a good cause

Kristin Dietrich, a freshman psychology major, and Mike Accettura, a sophomore business major, help hang clothes Tuesday morning in the Library quad. They hung these clothes as part of Eastern's Clothesline Across Campus program.

New policy statements for business majors top CAA's meeting agenda

By Tammie Sloup
Administration editor

The Council on Academic Affairs Thursday will consider two new policy statements for undergraduates from the College of Business and Applied Sciences. The meeting will begin at 2 p.m. of the Arcola/Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. "Part of the rationale (of the statements) is based on accreditation requirements," said CAA Chair Bill Addison. The first policy statement says business majors must complete at

least 50 percent of semester hours required for graduation in non-business courses. The second statement says to qualify for a B.S. in business from Eastern, students must pick at least 50 percent of business credit hours at Eastern. Participation is common in the business and education majors regarding accreditation, Addison said. It is usually common where students are trained for specific job duties. Different agencies accredit organizations, he said. An agency will review the program and see if it meets the agency's require-

ments. "The people in the college (of business) apparently feel they need to address standards for accreditation but also address our own mission," he said. The council also may hear updates from subcommittees reviewing the integrated core but there probably won't be much discussion on where the subcommittees are in their review, he said. Three subcommittees have given reports to the council and Addison said the CAA should not begin discussion about general education until all five of the subcommittees have given reports.

Students can help children relive history

By Amy Thon
Campus editor

Eastern students next semester will bring female history characters to life for local school children in a new class being offered by the women's studies department. Living History will be taught for one credit hour from noon to 12:50 p.m. on Mondays and will be taught by Janet Marquardt, a professor from the art department. Each student in the class will prepare a 10-minute monologue on the character of an important woman from history that will be presented for elementary school classes. This is the 10th year the program has been done but it is the first time it is being taught as a class. "The difference is, this year students will be doing it for credit," Marquardt said. "It's a class now and they are getting a credit for it so we can expand." Last year, students portrayed characters including Catherine the Great, Virginia Woolf, Mary Rowlandson and Victoria Woodhull.

"(The profiles will focus on) the concept of a successful woman. What does it mean to be great?" Marquardt said. Students will research a woman of their choice, develop the presentation and help devise an accurate costume during the course of a semester. Some students choose a woman related to their major. "It's nice when we get something people are interested in because of their field," Marquardt said. At least 12 to 15 students are needed for the class. The students will perform at Jefferson, Carl Sandberg, Mark Twain, an Ashmore school and a Lerna school. They will also perform at the Woman's Achievement Award banquet. The final dress rehearsal on Feb. 27 will serve as a public performance for the community. Marquardt said this will allow parents to see what their children will learn at school and see the service

Eastern is doing for the community. She said about 130 performances are given during the month of March which is Women's History and Awareness Month. The grade schools choose a week in March, for the students to visit the school. "(Teachers) love the program so much. They ask starting in January and February 'are you going to be doing it again?'" she said. Students in the class are often elementary education majors, Marquardt said; the class gives them experience in front of a class. There are also many women's studies and theater students. "I think it's a wonderful opportunity to see someone who had a much more difficult situation in their life and overcame it and became a role model," she said. Marquardt encourages the students to study new characters each year to avoid the typical women heroines. "I would like to have people that are new, if we do the same people every year we are not helping," she said. The students do extensive research to prepare for the presentation because the students also lead a question and answer session while in character. "They have some preparation to do because the kids can ask questions from any direction," Marquardt said. She said she is especially looking for women of different backgrounds to participate in the class to give the program diversity. "We need to have women represented in the schools who are not white European women. We need women of color and ethnic women," Marquardt said. The program is having an influence on the local children and she said the children are learning from the experience. "It's a great discussion. A lot of them have had us every year. Kids remember; my daughter still remembers characters who came to her first grade class and they remember when they see the names again," Marquardt said. "I think it's making an impact."

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Volunteering for credits

Eastern faculty members are again participating with local organizations to help students become more involved in the Charleston community.

Thanks to this cooperation, sociology and psychology majors may have the opportunity to earn credits by volunteering at the recently opened Coles County Homeless Shelter.

The volunteers cover shifts for other staff members and assist in the admission process. Along with the volunteer positions for students seeking credit, positions are also open for all students who just want to lend a helping hand and give something back to their temporary

Homeless shelter

Students should volunteer their services at the Coles County Homeless Shelter. Sociology and psychology majors can even gain course credit for their community service.

hometown. The shelter is a great place to help members of Charleston's less fortunate population. The staff members are qualified to help the shelter's residents find permanent housing at a suitable price. The residents must help cook their meals, attempt to find a job and obey strict guidelines. No smoking or drinking is allowed in the shelter.

The shelter's operators are looking to double the current occupancy of seven residents, and to do so, they need the help and support of volunteers.

The shelter currently is funded primarily by donations from the community and the operators also are working on writing grant applications to allow them to continue operating the shelter.

Volunteering at the shelter can offer students the experience of helping those in need, working within their majors, or just becoming a more involved member of the community. Anyone interested in volunteering can call Dale Beck at the Wesley United Methodist Church at 345-3917.

Taking time out to help those in need will not only make you a better person but will also add to your resume after college. Go out and get involved.

■ The editorial is the opinion of the editorial board of The Daily Eastern News.

Today's quote

Nothing is more friendly to a man than a friend in need.

Titus Maccius Plautus,
Roman playwright, 254-184 B.C.

How to get through finals and live

Finals. Just the word makes me cringe. And here it is, 12 days before the majority of students will make their first trip to the library and study lounges and pull out the credit card applications that still remain in many unopened textbooks.

Coffee Express will be bombarded with hundreds of students seeking a caffeine boost; No-Doze and Vivarin sales will increase, and vending machines campuswide will be blinking "Sold Out."

Students dressed in baggy clothes – mostly sweats or flannel pants topped with a hat – will be seen everywhere.

Ahh ... yes, the countdown to finals hell has begun.

And the week prior to finals week doesn't ease the burden. Five- to 7- page papers, 12- to 15-page papers – pick a number and it'll probably be assigned; interpreting and analyzing hundred-page novels, projects, presentations – no end is in sight. And just when one thinks everything is under control, another paper or project is assigned for the same day three others are already due.

But have no fear. I have found an easy-to-follow guide to surviving the next 2-1/2 weeks:

1. Think ahead. You will be competing with more than 10,000 other people for the last tin of coffee or box of Little Debbie's at various Chucktown stores – go now and stock up early.

2. Motivate yourself. Try thinking about how much winter break could suck if you fail all your finals. The notification letter of academic probation is not a source of holiday cheer when you are stuck at home for three weeks.



Deana Poole

News editor

"Ahh ... yes, the countdown to finals hell has begun."

to write or a test to study for.

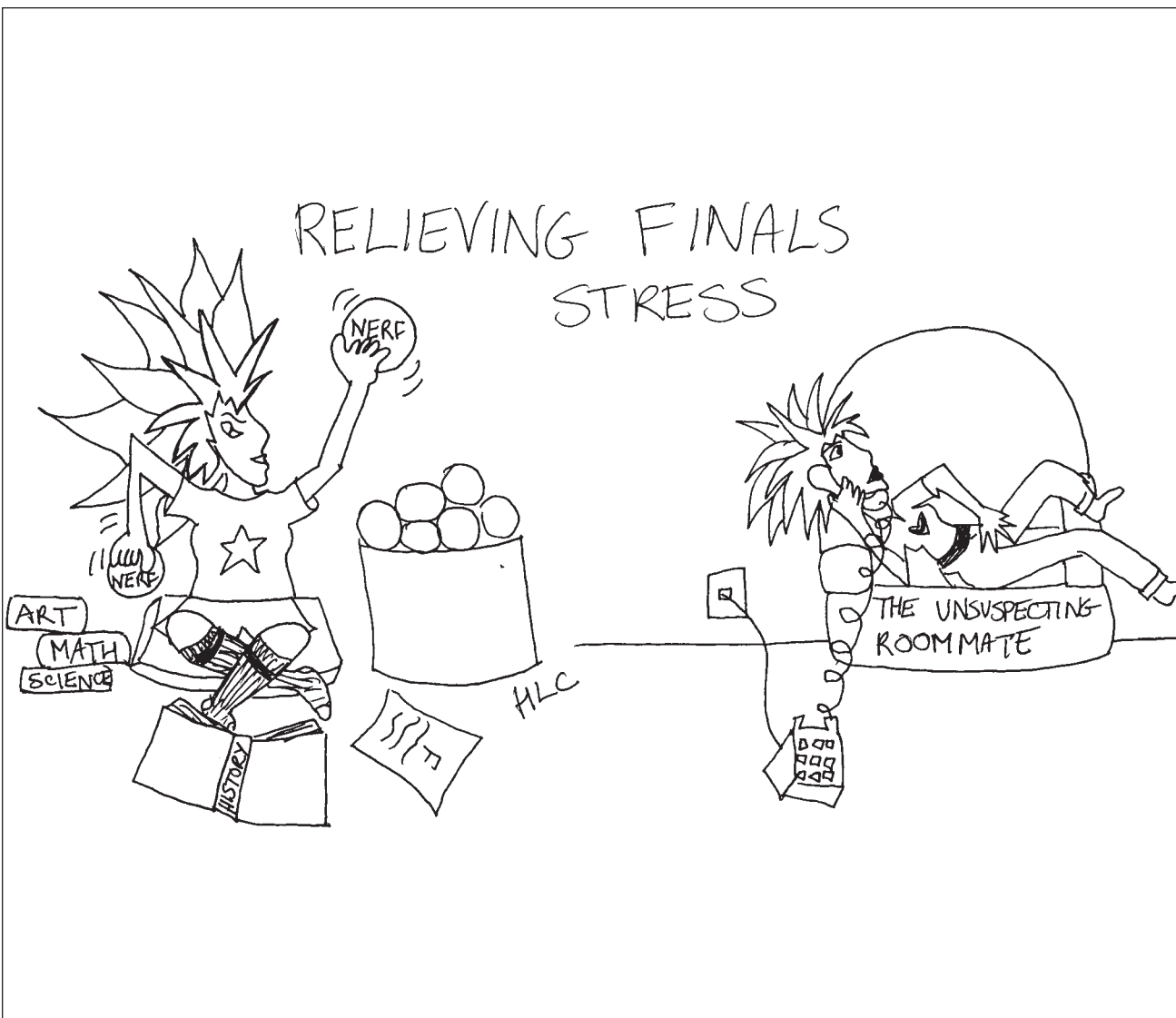
5. Take time-outs to scream. (Buy your roommate ear plugs beforehand) Also invest in some foam basketballs and throw them against a wall, roommate, etc. It's a good stress reliever.

6. Exercise. While this is known as the best way to relieve stress, oftentimes the Student Recreation Center is the last place students have time to go to during the end of the semester. Try stacking books and doing arm lifts with them, place them on your thighs and do leg lifts, put them on your head and practice walking like a model – but do something.

And while any real expert will argue time management, working ahead, eating right and exercising are the true way to survive finals – that is because they don't have six finals, four papers, two projects, and three novels to read all within the next two weeks.

But just think, it'll all be over in 17 days. Fa, la, la, la, la, la, la, la, la.

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Theater majors field is not insignificant

President Jorns taught an acting class last year? How dare he teach something as insignificant as an acting class for that worthless theater arts department! Everybody knows that theater is not a real major right? All those theater majors do is waste time playing around, drinking, smoking, doing drugs and having fun, right? I mean, that's the kind of thing theater people do isn't it? Plus, after they graduate they have no hope of getting a job related to their field. They are all going to be starving artists working in coffee shops, waiting tables and living off the taxpayers. This is a fact right? Well, Deana Poole, *The Daily Eastern News* news editor, that is what the opening remark in your Oct. 28 column about Jorns made his teaching a theater class sound like. How dare he

Your turn

Letters to the editor

teach a theater class! Now I agree wholeheartedly with you about the heart of your article. Jorns should get off his rear and get back to work until he retires. There is no excuse for slacking in your duties, especially when one is the president of a university. So Jorns, if you're reading this, GET BACK TO WORK AND GO TO YOUR MEETINGS BUDDY! And Poole, make sure your remarks next time don't make some majors and occupations sound like they are worthless. Because many of us took that opening to be sarcasm toward our major. We are proud of who we are and what we do. We theater people keep people like you entertained with

our plays, movies, television programs, etc... Oh, one more thing: Next time get your facts straight. Jorns taught the directing class. There was no acting class last semester.

Christopher Gadomski
senior theater major

Letter policy

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Senate to discuss concert loss loan

By Joe Sanner
Student government editor

The Student Senate tonight will discuss a \$17,329.12 loan the Apportionment Board approved giving to the University Board for concert losses, additional allocations to fee-funded boards and using an extra \$25,000 from the student activity reserve account.

The senate will meet at 7 p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The senate must decide whether to approve an AB proposal to loan the UB more than \$17,000 from the student activity reserve account to cover losses incurred by the spring Carrot Top performance.

The Carrot Top performance lost more than \$18,000 because of low ticket sales.

The student activity reserve account is currently at about \$113,000 and can only go below \$100,000 if the senate classifies the

loan as an emergency.

The AB has approved additional allocations from the reserve account to three fee-funded boards.

The sports and recreation board will get \$5,000 to add to its regular budget for championship T-shirts and extending recreation center hours if the senate approves the AB's recommendation to loan them the money.

The dramatic performances board would get about \$4,000 extra to use offset student costs of attending the American College Theatre Festival. The UB would also get about \$4,000 to use for additional programming if the senate approves its additional allocation.

Other fee-funded boards include the AB and the senate.

The senate also will discuss using \$25,000 from the reserve account to give even more money to fee-funded boards. This money will be reimbursed once the recently approved \$5 student activity fee raise kicks in. The \$5 increase is expected to create an additional \$100,000.

Albright makes emotional plea for holocaust victims

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, in an emotional plea on behalf of her grandparents and other Jews who died in the Holocaust, urged an international conference Tuesday "to make the ledger slightly less out of balance" by returning Nazi-looted art and other property to their rightful owners.

The Clinton administration asked the delegates to approve a statement calling on each nation to "redress the unjust confiscation" by finding prewar owners and making restitution — whether or not heirs are found.

The four-day conference brings together delegations from 44 countries and more than one dozen other groups, including Jewish organizations.

Its goal is to set informal standards on how to deal with the estimated \$9 billion to \$14 billion worth of art, communal property and other assets the Nazis plundered from European Jews and others during World War II. The current value

would be \$90 billion to \$140 billion.

Albright said archives around the world should open their files to researchers and the public. Among the governments represented at the conference was the Vatican, which has refused to open its files.

"We cannot restore life nor rewrite history," she said in opening the conference.

"But we can make the ledger slightly less out of balance by devoting our time, energy and resources to the search for answers, the return of property and the payment of just claims."

In what has been her most extended comments on a very personal topic, Albright told delegates that she learned only last year of her Jewish heritage and that her Czech grandparents and other relatives were Holocaust victims.

A refugee who came to the United States as a child, Albright was raised as a Roman Catholic.

Struggling to maintain composure as her voice broke, Albright

said that as a grandmother with this fresh knowledge, she has begun to "think of the blood that is in my family veins."

"Does it matter what kind of blood it is?" she asked. "It shouldn't. It is just blood that does its job."

"But it mattered to Hitler and that matters to us all because that is why 6 million Jews died and that is why this obscenity of suffering was visited on so many innocent, irreplaceable people."

The United States on Tuesday distributed to delegates 11 proposed "principles and processes" on dealing with suspected looted art, much now in government custody such as 2,000 pieces in France or in museums. The Associated Press obtained a copy of the proposal.

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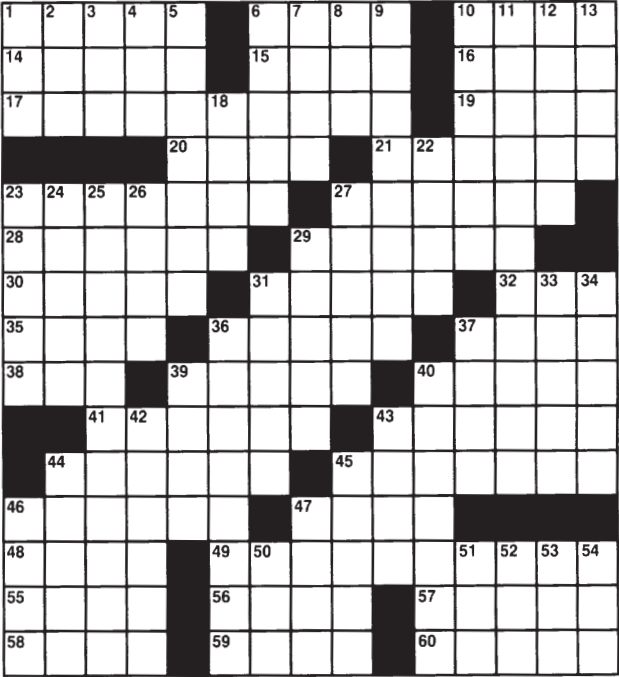
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Faces

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state meet last year, is a hurdler and will run the 200 meter and 400 meter dashes.

At the team's Turkey Trials meet two weeks ago, Macklin broke the meet record in the 400 meter dash by almost a half-second.

"Garrod has a ton of potential," Akers said. "With him breaking our Turkey Trials record in the 400, we are excited about what he will be able to do for us."

By bringing in both Spezia and Macklin, Akers has addressed one of the spots that was weakened by graduation.

"We lost our top two hurdlers to graduation last year, so bringing in Gabe and Garrod will give us a boost in those events," Akers said.

Nick Lundin is a freshman from Lyons Township that has been a pleasant surprise for Akers so far.

Lundin, an 800 meter runner, set the Turkey Trials record in the 800 meters.

"Nick is big and strong and has good middle-distance speed," Akers said. "He has been a pleasant surprise for us this fall."

Another freshman 800 runner

that may help the team is Kevin Christian out of Mt. Prospect High School.

"Kevin was a virtual unknown at the beginning, but he has had a really good fall training, and we expect him to give us some contributions," Akers said.

Akers also said that since football season is over, he expects a few guys from the football team to join the track team. One person in particular that Akers is looking for to help out is sophomore Terrence Roberts.

"Terrence was a high-hurdler and sprinter in high school and he has great potential," Akers said. "He didn't come out for the team last year, so he will be a little rusty at the beginning from taking a year off, but he will definitely help us out."

As far as the progress the newcomers to the team have made is concerned, Akers is extremely pleased.

"This was the best Turkey Trials we have had since I've been keeping records, and that's been since about 1985," Akers said.

"We have had a great fall and are in great shape and are looking forward to facing some competition next week."

The first meet for Eastern will be an Early Bird meet on December 10 at Lantz Fieldhouse.



Deanna McIntyre / Photo Editor
Transfer Gabe Spezia will be called upon to contribute to the Panthers' track team in the hurdles.

Hoosiers hand Irish OT loss

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) – Luke Recker scored 27 points, and No. 16 Indiana beat Notre Dame 76-72 in overtime Tuesday night despite 6-of-15 shooting from the free-throw line in the final eight minutes.

With the Irish students chanting "No Big Ten," voicing their distaste for a possible alignment between Notre Dame (2-5) and the conference that Indiana (7-1) belongs to, Notre Dame missed its final five shots and lost to the Hoosiers in overtime for the second time in three years.

After leading by as many as 11 points in the second half, Notre Dame fell behind 48-47 on Michael Lewis' 3-pointer with 10 minutes left. The Irish rallied for a six-point lead three minutes later before the Hoosiers answered with an 11-7 run during which Recker had seven points.

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Creighton rolling in national tournament

Championship three wins away for Bluejays

By David Pump
Associate sports editor

The Missouri Valley's entry into the national soccer tournament, Creighton, is preparing to play Saturday in the third round against Maryland.

The Bluejays, ranked No. 12, advanced after upsetting defending champion UCLA 2-0 Sunday. Creighton, who ended Eastern's season in the MVC tournament, needs three more wins to become national champions.

"Tim (McClements) and I said at the beginning of the tournament if they got in the right bracket they could win it all," Eastern assistant coach Dan Coker said.

In the win over UCLA, Creighton received timely scoring from Peter Henning and Brian Mullan.

"Brian Mullan has stepped up well," Creighton coach Bret Simon said.

Creighton was tied with St. Louis at the end of regulation, but scored three goals in the two overtimes to win 4-1. Simon attributes the Missouri Valley as a good stepping stone.

"In the past our conference hasn't prepared us well, but playing against teams like Eastern, Bradley and Southwest Missouri has prepared us this year for the tournament," Simon said. "It has been a benefit."

Creighton was the only team in the Missouri Valley to make the NCAA tournament, but Simon said other teams were close to receiving an invitation.

"Bradley had a good year, but their non-conference schedule was a little weak, and Southwest was really close," he said.

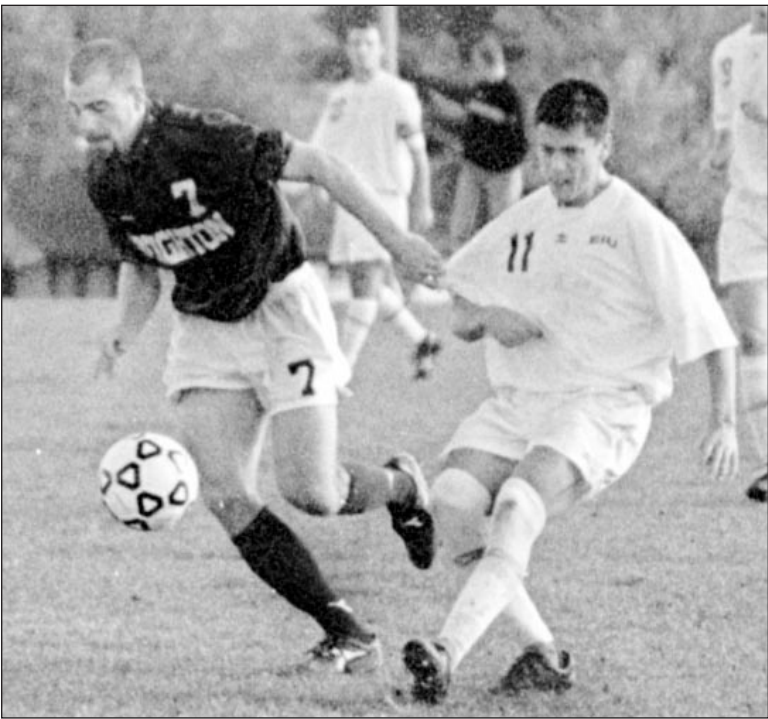
Another reason for Creighton success Simon said is linked to the teams ability to come into the tournament healthy.

"We have everybody healthy right now, and everybody is playing hard," he said.

Senior Richard Mulrooney has had an extremely consistent season, and that has carried into the post season, as the MVC's all-time leader in assists has had a hand in four of the six goals.

If the Bluejays beat Maryland, they then play the winner of Stanford and Virginia, but Simon said the team isn't looking ahead.

"We have had a good season, but there has been a lot of parity out there," Simon said. "We have faced so many good teams and good keepers that if they got hot they could keep your team going, but I'm not going to question our success."



Chad Merda / Staff photographer

Creighton's Peter Henning tries to break away from Eastern's Ryan Dempsey during the Missouri Valley tournament in Springfield, Mo.

Pump

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be the most exciting team in the Ohio Valley.

For the fans, who enjoy traveling to see the team play, the next "big" school the Panthers face will be at in-state rival Illinois.

The Panthers will travel the 45-minutes on December 12 to face the young, and fairly inexperienced Ilini.

After beating Indiana State, and hanging with the Boilermakers, fans should mark this game on their

calender as a must-see game, if not in attendance at least on television.

This game will mark the only televised game of the season for Eastern, and wouldn't it be grand if the Panthers pull the upset.

The Panthers could actually defeat Illinois at Assembly Hall if they put together 40 strong minutes of play.

The only down side to the Panthers this season was shown in the loss at Purdue as the team showed its weakness – inconsistency.

That inconsistency will rear its ugly head again, but until that happens enjoy the ride.

Hey you. Yeah you, sitting there on the couch. Got nothing better to do? Come write sports for the Daily Eastern News. Call Matt or Dave at 581-2812

sports inbrief

Belle signs \$65 million contract with Baltimore

BALTIMORE (AP) – Albert Belle dutifully donned his Orioles hat and flashed a broad smile as he posed for pictures Tuesday behind a Baltimore jersey with his name and No. 88 on the back.

The controversial star then talked excitedly about playing

with a contender, giving more of himself to the fans and making an effort to be more accessible to reporters.

Belle was downright cordial at Camden Yards after signing a \$65 million contract that made him the highest-paid player in franchise history, and said his jaded regard for the press is over.

NBA set to resume talks Thursday

NEW YORK (AP) – Locked-out NBA players felt another squeeze on their wallets Tuesday before a glimmer of hope suddenly emerged.

Collective bargaining talks, on hold for nearly two weeks, will resume Thursday in New York

with "everything back on the table," deputy commissioner Russ Granik said.

Commissioner David Stern and union director Billy Hunter spoke by telephone and agreed to a session involving the owners' and players' full negotiating committees – the first since Nov. 20.

"Billy called David and it was agreed that there are no deal-killers or other preconditions. Neither side is now committed to anything, and whatever was put on the table at the last meeting is now undone," Granik said.

Talks originally were scheduled to resume last weekend, but the sides found themselves arguing over what was agreed to in the Nov. 20 session and whether there would be preconditions for a resumption.



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and this year it returns four starters, seniors Amber Clark and Andrea Baldwin, junior Diane Seng and sophomore Rachael Gobbie.

Clark and Seng were named first team all conference last year and this year Seng is the OVC pre-season player of the year. Tech graduate and head coach Bill Worrell has made six appearances in the NCAA Tournament and his teams have always finished in the top half of the conference standings.

Eastern Kentucky, returning back to back OVC champions, return 11 letter winners, three of which are returning starters. Senior Jennifer King, junior Marla Gearhart, second team all conference, and sophomore Charlotte Sizemore along with head coach Larry Inman helped last year's team record its third 20-win season finishing 20-8.

It is currently ranked fourth in the preseason.

Middle Tennessee is currently ranked first in the OVC with a record of 3-1 after placing fourth last year. This year head coach Stephany Smith returns three starters, seniors Bama Burrell, first team all conference, Cortney Neeley, second team all conference and Jonelda Buck. They also recruited six new players, five freshmen and one junior transfer.

Tennessee-Martin starts off its season with a 2-2 record after returning all five starters from its 1997-98 season including seniors Tessa Fields, first team all conference, Nichole Lockridge, second team all conference, Chastity Bohannon, and sophomores Jody Miller and Beth Wheeler.

"We're very excited about the season because the conference talent has improved and there's more parity," said co-head coach Gary Van Atta. "I feel that through hard work we hope to compete in the (NCAA) tournament."

The Skyhawks finished a surprising third in the OVC last season after an eighth place ranking. Head coaches Gary and Kim Van Atta earned OVC Coaches of the



Deanna McIntyre / Photo Editor

Renee Schaul looks to pass the ball against Western Illinois Monday night at Lantz Gym. The women open conference action Thursday evening.

Year honors as well. They begin conference play Thursday night at Eastern Kentucky.

After being ranked eighth in the preseason, Southeast Missouri has pulled ahead and is now ranked third in the OVC with a record of 3-2. Head coach Ed Arnzen returns four starters from last year including seniors Rusty Sowers, Tajuana White, junior Moneik

Campbell and sophomore Annie Struve.

In last year's season, the Othakians tied for eighth with a record of 5-13, but this year bring six newcomers to follow the footsteps of the six lost letter winners, including starter Jamie Koester. They host Tulsa Thursday night at the Show Me Center in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

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Samuels said the team is going to be approaching the conference games with the same idea it had in the first four non-conference games.

"They have to play hard and work hard at defending the strength of the opponents," he said. "The closer it gets to the weekend I will put more emphasis on the quality start because we will not play for another three weeks."

Maybe one of the reasons why Macy does not want the conference to begin so early is because his Eagles begin the conference season at defending champion Murray State.

Macy will have the toughest test, as because of its win at Oklahoma on Nov. 28, Murray State is still considered to be the powerhouse of the league.

"The class of the league is Murray State and they're traditionally the one to beat," Tennessee Tech head coach Jeff Lebo said.

But Macy is not counting his team totally out against a team of the caliber of the Racers.

"I know we have a talented team, we just have to learn about ourselves which will be a big challenge for us," Macy said. "I'm not so concerned about how we are playing our first few games but that we improve how the season progresses."

According to Murray first-year head coach Tevester Anderson, he does not think his Racers will run away with the league this year.

"It will be a competitive and good race," Anderson said. "Several teams have a chance to be conference champions."

But being one of the top teams

and having everybody come after you is a concern for the first-year head coach.

"We have to be cautious because we have a bunch of guys who have been here for a long time and want to beat our brains out," Anderson said. "We have a veteran team but our back court is young and we're going to have to hang in there with the big boys."

In other action Thursday, Southeast Missouri plays at Austin Peay and Tennessee-Martin plays at Eastern Kentucky.

One of the teams Anderson mentioned could make a race for the title was Austin Peay, who has seen some good scoring from some new faces. Hometown product Trenton Hasell sat out last season because of academic reasons, but has battled back this year and is second the OVC with an average of 22.5 points per game.

Also showing a good scoring touch is Jerome Jackson, who is averaging 13 points per game.

Lebo said Murray, Austin Peay and Tennessee State consist of the top three teams in the conference

"Once you look at it, there is an upper echelon, then there is a close to upper echelon which consists of Eastern, Middle Tennessee State and Southeast Missouri, and then there is us who is towards the bottom and have a long, long way to go," Lebo said.

Lebo said he knows his team is not going to be competing for the lead in the OVC.

"I have to be patient with the team because we have a long way to go," he said. "We do not have much experience because we are in the beginning stages of a rebuilding the program and my whole goal is to get them to work hard so I can get the most out of them. Everyone has to be playing at their utmost potential if we even has a chance to win."

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Exciting times ahead in Lantz

Non-conference play can be misleading. The men's basketball team could be the best example of that as it heads into conference play Thursday night at Tennessee State.

After playing No. 11 ranked Purdue close for 30 minutes, the Panthers were unable to pull off the upset. Rumbblings were if Eastern played like it did in the victory against Indiana State, it would have beaten the highly touted Boilermakers.

But heading into Nashville on Thursday is uncharted territory for coach Rick Samuels young guns, and I mean young guns.

This season could be the most exciting basketball seen in Lantz Gymnasium in the last five years, but then again most of you wouldn't know because you don't go to the games, generally speaking.

Where else can you go to see basketball? The United Center, only if you want to see the Great Eight college tournament. The Market Square Arena? How about the Bradley Center? No I don't think so. The best opportunity you have at seeing basketball this year is either at Lantz Gym or on ESPN.

The great thing about the Panthers is they are recognizable. How many of you have classes with players on the team? Or how often do you see them eating in Stevenson, or enjoying pizza late at night in Thomas? But not only are they students, they are basketball players that want people to come out to their games.

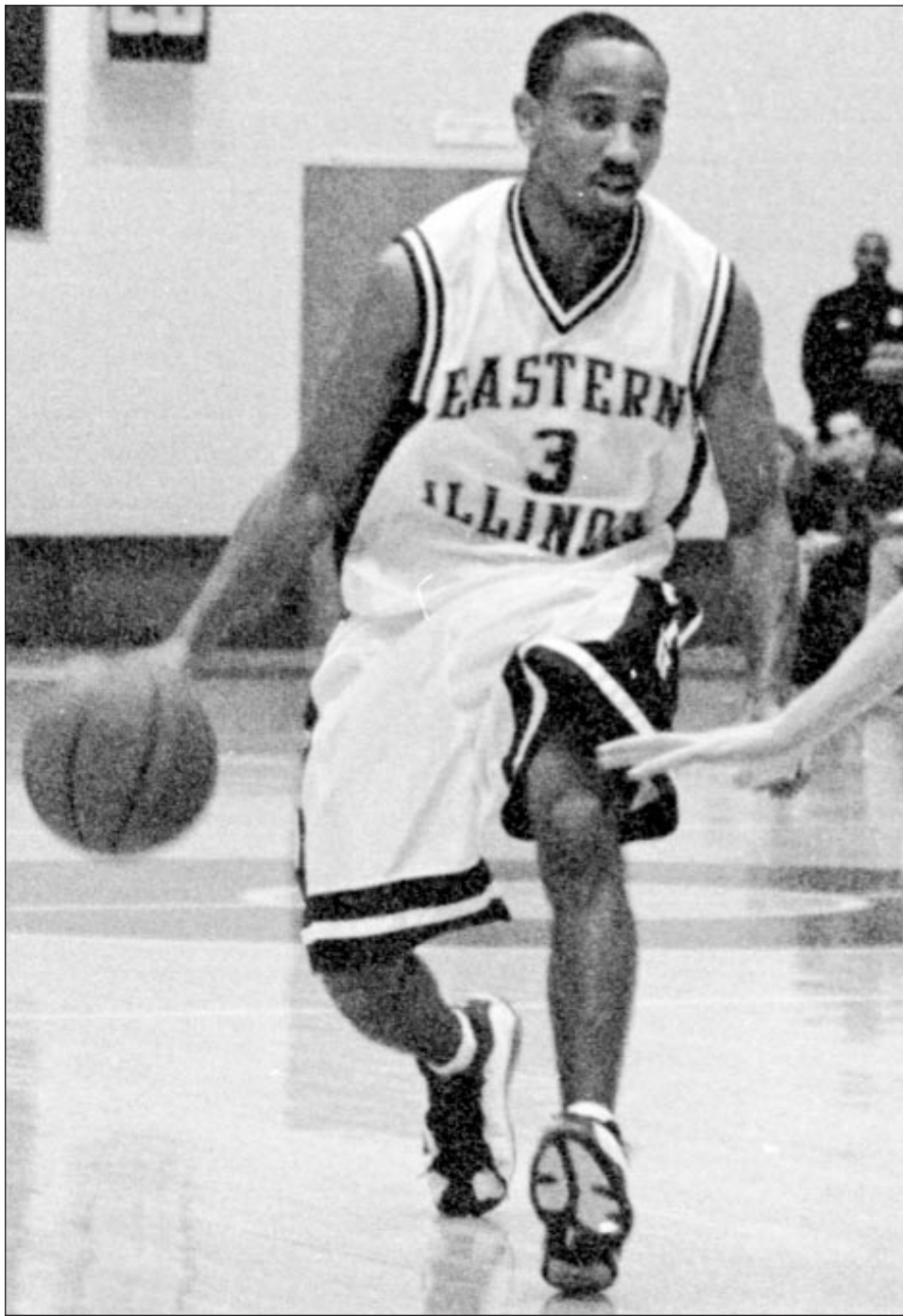
Instead of making excuses on why you can't go, maybe you should go and see how much fun a game can be.

Gone are the days of Samuels not letting the players get into transition and run with teams. With players as athletic as Kyle "the thrill" Hill and Marc Polite scores will be closer to the century mark than to the temperature outside. Hill has been described as a human cannon ball, with the explosiveness to turn a boring game into a high wire circus act. With his ability to play above the rim, fans can expect to see highlight reel dunks from the sophomore for years to come.

Polite, on the other hand, has the ability to hit from anywhere on the floor. Jack Owens has said when Polite is on he could be one of the best pure shooters in the nation. Mix those two together with Owen's ability to be a leader and Greg Ktistou's adrenaline rushes and this could

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Teams ready for league play

**Lacey Buidosik** / Staff photographer

Senior point guard Jack Owens dribbles the ball down the court in the Panthers 70-63 victory over Indiana State.

OVC gets one week headstart on rest of country

By Matt Wilson
Sports editor

As a result of the Ohio Valley Conference post season basketball tournament being a week before the rest, the OVC conference play must begin a week ahead of the rest of conference play around the land.

"I would rather have the conference tournament when everybody else does," Morehead State head coach Kyle Macy said. "Then we can get a few more games under our belt before we start conference."

Panther head coach Rick Samuels agreed with the statement of Macy.

"I think it would fit better if we had eight or nine non-conference games out of the way before we hit conference season," Samuels said. "That would be more appealing by both a coaches stand point and a fans standpoint because they will be able to focus their attention on the conference race."

But because of ESPN Championship Week, not everything can go the way Macy or Samuels wants it, so the OVC play will open for eight teams on Thursday night.

Eastern will have to start with a tough task, as a Tennessee State team that returns all five starters from the squad that Murray State beat in the finals last year is waiting for them to arrive in Nashville Thursday.

Things will not get any easier for the Panthers, as after Tennessee State they have to travel to Clarksville, Tenn. to face an Austin Peay squad that plays tough at home.

"It's too early to start conference play and opening on the road makes it even more difficult," Samuels said. "They (Austin Peay and Tennessee State) are two teams that are much improved from last year and are preseason picked to make a run at the conference championship."

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Women enter into balanced conference campaign

By Kristin Rojek
Staff writer

The Ohio Valley Conference women's basketball teams move into the official start of the conference season with a feeling of parity as returning players as well as newcomers from each of the 10 teams work to become some of the top teams in the league.

With the Panthers finishing fifth in the 1997-98 season, they

bring in seven newcomers after returning only one starter, junior center Leah Aldrich, who was also named preseason first team all conference.

Being a young team in the OVC, head coach John Klein has been working on improving and building on the team's confidence.

"I believe that our team can be competitive with everyone in the league," Klein said. "This conference is very comparable and has a

lot of parity from top to bottom."

Eight returning letter winners include senior Amanda Garretson, juniors Aldrich, Kate Atkinson and Angie Patzner, and sophomores Colleen McShane, Lorie Moore and Renee Schaul.

With a 1-3 record in the season so far, Eastern is currently ranked eighth in the OVC just ahead of Austin Peay and Murray State.

"It makes for an exciting season because every team has a real-

istic shot at the NCAA Tournament at the end of the season if they peak at the right time," Klein said.

Ranked second in the season this year with a starting record of 2-1, Tennessee Tech tied for first place with Eastern Kentucky for the 1997-98 OVC title. It was only the eighth team in NCAA history to record with 600 victories

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Fresh faces expected to be contributors

Transfers, freshmen bring in accolades

By Jarrett Wells
Staff writer

Coach Tom Akers and the Eastern men's track team will look for contributions from several newcomers this year. Included in this group of newcomers are two All-American transfers from the lower ranks and several outstanding high school athletes.

Gabe Spezia is one of the transfers Akers is expecting to get some contributions from. Spezia, a junior college All-American from Danville and double state champion in high school, is a hurdler that may also help out in the relays.

"Gabe is a good athlete that will help us out in the 55 meter indoor hurdles, 110 meter outdoor hurdles and 400 meter outdoor hurdles," Akers said.

Another transfer to this year's team is Michael White. White was a Division II All-American at Lewis University last year. White is a high jumper that Akers believes could help the Panthers finish one-two-three in the conference

this year.

"We finished one-three in the high jump at the OVC meet last year, so Michael could allow us to take the top three spots this year," Akers said.

According to Akers, White still has some aspects of his jump that are shaky, but are improving.

"Michael has tons of spring, we just need to work on getting his approach down," Akers said. "After we do that, he will be a big help to us."

Freshman Garrod Macklin is another of the newcomers Akers is expecting some big things out of. Macklin, who placed in four events at the

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